

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract with the attached amended Abstract. A mark-up showing the changes to the Abstract is below.

~~Microcomponent comprising a hermetically sealed microcavity and method for production of such a microcomponent~~

The microcavity ~~(6)~~ is delineated by a cover, comprising a first layer ~~(4)~~, in which at least one hole ~~(5)~~ is formed. A second layer hermetically seals the microcavity. A third layer ~~(9)~~ is arranged between the first ~~(4)~~ and the second layer. An additional microcavity ~~(11)~~, communicating with the hole ~~(5)~~, is arranged between the first ~~(4)~~ and the third ~~(9)~~ layer. At least one additional hole, adjacent to the additional microcavity ~~(11)~~, formed in the third layer ~~(9)~~ and offset with respect to the hole ~~(5)~~, is sealed by the second layer, after sacrificial layers have been removed through the additional hole. The microcomponent ~~comprises~~ includes at least one mechanically stressed layer arranged above the first layer ~~(4)~~.

~~(Figure 13)~~